



Fact Sheet

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Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP)

Program Information:

The Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP) was created by the Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005 (VAWA 2005), 42 U.S.C. §14043g, and is the first federal funding stream solely dedicated to the provision of direct intervention and related assistance for victims of sexual assault.

SASP directs grant dollars to support rape crisis centers that provide core services, direct intervention, and related assistance to victims of sexual assault. Funds provided through the SASP Formula Grant Program are designed to supplement other funding sources directed at addressing sexual assault on the State level. Rape crisis centers play a vital role in assisting sexual assault victims through the healing process, as well as assisting victims through the medical, criminal justice, and other social support systems.

Eligibility:

Non-profit, non-governmental Rape Crisis Centers*

Governmental Rape Crisis Centers*

* Maryland's Certified Rape Crisis Centers are identified through the Maryland Coalition Against Sexual Assault (MCASA)

Match: Not Required

Note: All funding is contingent upon the Governor's Office of Crime Control & Prevention receiving the specified grant funds from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women.

Supported Programs:

Direct Intervention

Advocacy

Accompaniment including:

court

medical facilities

police departments

Support Services

Court Advocate

Sexual Assault Victims'
Services

Assistance for adult, youth,
and child victims of sexual
assault

Assistance for family and
household members of
victims and those collaterally
affected by sexual assault

Important Dates for SASP Grants

January	NOFA posting	February	Hard copy applications due
February	Electronic applications due	April 1	Program Start Date

Technical Assistance Videos are available at: <http://www.goccp.maryland.gov/>

To learn more about the SASP Formula Grant Program, please contact
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